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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7316**

**BILL NUMBER: SB 517**

**DATE PREPARED:** Jan 16, 2001

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Death Row Inmates.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL  
DEDICATED  
FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill has the following provisions:

- (A) It provides that an inmate under a sentence of death must be housed in a maximum security facility until the execution date.
- (B) It provides that identifying information concerning the persons executing an inmate under a sentence of death is confidential.
- (C) It allows the Department of Correction (DOC) to exclude a person from viewing an execution if the superintendent of the State Prison determines the person may compromise the safety and security of the State Prison.
- (D) It changes references to the title of the head of the State Prison from warden to superintendent.

**Effective Date:** Upon passage.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** *Provision A* - Under current law, offenders who are on death row must remain in the Indiana State Prison until their execution date. Staff at the Department of Correction indicate that a construction project is planned for the death row area. This provision will allow the Department of Correction to move these offenders on death row to a maximum security facility in another prison operated by DOC until the project is completed.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

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**State Agencies Affected:** Department of Correction.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:** Robert Bugher, Chief Counsel, Department of Correction.